



## Minimizing Title Returns/Title Question and Answer Session







## Session Objectives

Titling Overview

Title Examination

Title Returns

Question and Answer – Title Issues





## Titling Overview

- Centralize ownership recording
- Centralize lien filing
- Record vehicle history information







## Important Title Information

- Ownership
- Liens

Odometer reading

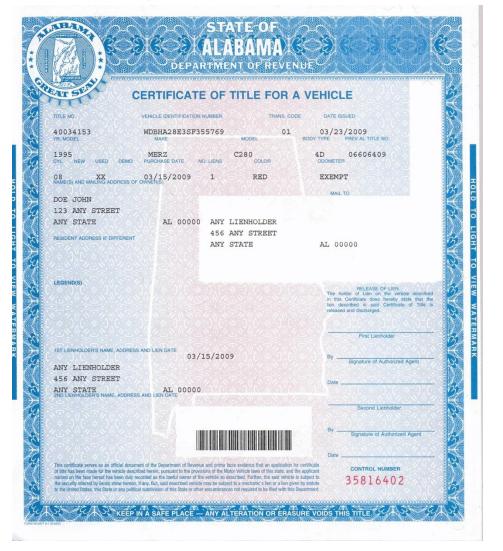
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### **Alabama Certificate of Title**







## Title Examination

- Ten full time employees auditing applications from 4000 agents.
- All examiners go through 24 week training course – basic examining.
- Average Examiner reviews 750 to 1,000 applications per week.
- Examiner work is audited on regular basis.





### **Audits**

Selective Audits

Compliance Audit

Targeted Audits







#### **Audit Priorities**

New designated agents

Problem designated agents

Transactions with High Error Rates





## Audit Management Program

Discovery – Problematic DA's

DA – Employee Performance

Training



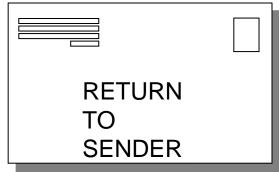




#### Title Returns

#### Let's look at the numbers

- Pre-ETAPS 10% Return Rate
  - 150,000 applications returned annually
- ETAPS Return Rate 0.1%
  - 15,000 applications returned annually







## Reasons for Rejects

 Wrong Primary Document/Transaction Code

- Signature incorrect/missing on application
- Date on application is missing
- DA has not signed and dated application





#### More Reasons

 Date of sale in assignment does not agree with date of sale on application

Lien release incomplete

- Incomplete assignments
- Wrong year model RV's





#### And More Reasons

Odometer certification error

- Lienholder omitted on application
- Owner name(s) disagees with assignment
- Application not placed in resubmitted status prior to return





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